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## **Executive summary**

The Marketing Committee of the PNR designed and oversaw the printing of a regional brochure to make current and potential Network members aware of our services. Copies of the brochure will be sent to all Network members and distributed through exhibits at local and regional meetings. We'll also make additional copies available for Network members to distribute to the communities they serve.

PNR staff completed a comprehensive audit of membership information in the Network member directory.

Staff also strategized a communications and education effort to inform Network member libraries in Washington State about a recent bill passed to fund improved access to health care and information. The bill directs the University of Washington to provide selected online evidence-based resources for licensed health care professionals, beginning January 2009. Eligible health care professionals will pay an increased annual licensing fee to fund the benefit. Librarians will be able to access the resources and extend their training and services to assist eligible health care professionals in becoming knowledgeable about using the resources for evidence-based care.

With input from the OERC, other RML staff and pilot reviewers, Maryanne Blake developed and conducted a web-based survey to assess the needs and assets of the network members of the NN/LM PNR. Survey results will help to refine RML program planning and provide baseline data to measure the effectiveness of these programs.

The Regional Advisory Council meeting was slated for June 2007, and planning for this important meeting commenced. Potential advisors were identified and confirmed by letter of invitation. Advisors are organized by 2 main committees: 1) Regional Advisors for Community and Consumer Health Outreach Programs; or 2) Regional Advisors for Network Services and Health Professions Outreach Programs.

## Network infrastructure

TABLE 1. Quarterly infrastructure data

	Current quarter	Previous quarter
Network members – full	151	159
Network members – affiliate	212	215
Libraries providing services to unaffiliated health professionals	98 (65%)*	96 (60%)*
Libraries providing services to public users	110 (73%)	102 (64%)*
Average fill rate for resource libraries	886	791

\* Include in parentheses the percentage of full Network member members providing services to unaffiliated health professionals and public users. This can be computed as: % providing services = (count of libraries providing services)/(count of full Network members)

### Regional Advisory Committee (RAC) activities

Cathy Burroughs and Gail Kouame began making plans for the RAC meeting(s) to be held in Seattle in June 2007.

### Needs assessment and evaluation activities/data

Linda Milgrom and Maryanne Blake made a site visit to Idaho State University (Pocatello, ID) to meet with investigators of the express outreach project, “Outreach Program to Underserved Speech Language Pathologists and Audiologists in Southeastern Idaho.” We hope to use findings and curriculum developed by this group in other states in the region. Also, since PNR will be working with the American Speech Hearing Language Association on a continuing basis, it was helpful to get insights into organizational structure (4/10/07).

Erin Hoge, a graduate student who will be conducting training as part of the outreach project, “Building Capacity for Quality Nutrition Information in Seattle Public Schools,” visited the RML to discuss the project and pick up promotional materials (4/16/07).

## Outreach

TABLE 2. All newly funded awards and projects

Start/ end dates	Title of award/ project	PI institution	PI last name	Funding amount	Project type*
4/15/07 - 06/30/07	Planning Project to Assess Health Information Needs in Kitsap County, WA	United Way of Kitsap County	Hennessey	\$1,800	Planning Award
04/15/07 - 08/31/07	Assessment of Health Information Needs in Kittitas County	Kittitas Valley Hospital	Jones	\$2,000	

\*Suggested project type values: outreach project, express award, exhibit award, technology improvement award, library improvement award, Internet connectivity award, information technology/policy awareness conference, other (please specify)

Update of ongoing major projects (funded at ≥ \$15,000)

[Insert brief narrative with update information for each major outreach project]

TABLE 3. Presentations and training provided by RML staff

Date	Last name of staff responsible	Title of presentation/training	Location (city, state)	Number of participants	In-person or distance education
02/07	Ryce	Basics of Electronic Document Delivery	Seattle, WA	8	Distance
2/08/07	Ryce	DOCLINE training with WAUIFL	Seattle, WA	1	In-person
03/07/07	Milgrom	PubMed, MedlinePlus and other Resources from the NLM	Republic, WA	12	In person
3/29/07	Milgrom	PubMed for Experts	Kenmore, WA	10	In person
04/07	Ryce	Basics of Electronic Document Delivery	Seattle, WA	6	Distance

TABLE 4. Exhibits. Note that separate exhibit reports should not be included with the RML quarterly report.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Organization name</b>	<b>Meeting name</b>	<b>Location (city, state)</b>
<b>RML NATIONAL EXHIBITS</b>			
04/18/07 - 04/22/07	American College of Physicians	Internal Medicine 2007	San Diego, CA
<b>RML REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS</b>			
02/23/07 - 02/25/07	Western Region EMS	Annual Conference	Ocean Shores, WA
03/20/07 - 03/22/07	Rural Health Association	NW Regional Rural Health Meeting	Spokane, WA
04/25/07 - 04/28/07	Montana Library Association	Annual Meeting	Helena, MT
<b>SUBCONTRACTED NATIONAL EXHIBITS</b>			
<b>SUBCONTRACTED REGIONAL/STATE/LOCAL EXHIBITS</b>			
02/22/07	Alaska Library Association	Annual Conference	Juneau, AK

#### MedlinePlus Go Local

Montana Go Local proposal was accepted for funding by NLM in January 2007 – statement of work written in February 2007.

Gail Kouame and Roy Sahali met with Tom Page of the 211 Leadership Council on April 9, 2007 to discuss possible collaborations between 2-1-1 projects and Go Local.

## Other staff activities

TABLE 5. Publications and resources developed by RML staff

Date completed/ published	Last name of staff responsible	Title	Medium (e.g., journal article, newsletter article, brochure, online tutorial)	Submitted to Clearinghouse ("yes" or "out of scope")
2/19 – 3/2	Kouame	From Snake Oil to Penicillin	Online CE course	yes

02/01-02/04	C. Burroughs attended the National Emergency Preparedness National Collaboration Project Core Member Planning Meeting at UCLA			
02/02	G. Kouame attended a planning meeting facilitated by Roy Sahali to plan a Native Health Writers Workshop			
02/05	G. Kouame attended a "Future Search" meeting hosted by the Washington State Library to help determine priorities for the State Library			
02/06	G. Kouame (with Roy Sahali) attended training about developing partnerships hosted by the Washington State Library			
02/20	L. Milgrom made a site visit to the library at the Washington State Patrol Crime Lab, Seattle, WA and presented basic PubMed training to the new librarian			
03/06	L. Milgrom attended the NTCC TOXNET class in Spokane, WA			
03/09	G. Kouame attended a benefit dinner for the African Americans Reach and Teach Health Ministries on (03/09/07)			
03/19	L. Milgrom taught PubMed in Davis, CA for NTCC			
03/20	L. Milgrom taught TOXNET in David, CA for NTCC			
03/28	C. Burroughs provided an RML update at the Washington Medical Library Association annual meeting			
03/29-03/30	G. Kouame attended the Washington Medical Library Association annual meeting and took a CE course about creating online tutorials using Camtasia software			
03/30	L. Milgrom attended WMLA annual meeting in Kenmore			
04/00	A. Ryce: Spokane, WA site visits, Spokane County Medical Society, Washington State University, Attended INWHSL meeting			
04/00	C. Burroughs organized successful site visits (with S. Fuller, M. Blake, and A. Ryce) to Network member libraries in Spokane, including WSU Riverspoint Library, and the Spokane County Medical Society			
04/02-04/09	G. Kouame (with Roy Sahali) performed asset mapping activities with the three MOU libraries: OHSU, ISU, and UAA. Also did a "dry run" with Maryanne Hansen at MSU Bozeman			
04/13	G. Kouame (with Roy Sahali) made a site visit to Port Townsend Public Library to discuss possible funding opportunities			
04/20	C. Burroughs arranged and led an RML presentation at the INWHSL meeting on the Whitworth College campus			

04/23	L. Milgrom taught PubMed in Berkeley, CA for NTCC
04/24	L. Milgrom taught TOXNET in Berkeley, CA for NTCC
04/30	L. Milgrom discussed an NIH grant application with Josephine Ensign from the University of Washington. The application builds on work on health literacy of homeless “street” youth done by Professor Ensign and others that was funded by the RML last year
04/30	A. Ryce completed PNR Network Membership audit